

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA  
GREAT FALLS DIVISION**

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**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,**

**Plaintiff,**

**vs.**

**ROBERT RAY THOROUGHMAN,**

**Defendant.**

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**CR 23-57-GF-BMM**

**PRELIMINARY ORDER OF  
FORFEITURE**

THIS MATTER comes before the Court on the United States' Motion for Preliminary Order of Forfeiture. The Court having read the Motion and being fully advised in the premises finds:

THAT the defendant, Robert Ray Thoroughman, pleaded guilty to Count 1 of the Indictment, which provides a factual basis and cause to issue an order forfeiting the property described in the Plea Agreement (Doc. 26), under 18 U.S.C. § 924(d).

THAT prior to the disposition of the asset, the United States Marshal's Service, the Drug Enforcement Administration, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives, or a designated sub-custodian, is required to seize the forfeited property.

**THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED, DECREED AND ADJUDGED:**

THAT the defendant's interest in the following property is forfeited to the United States:

- Smith & Wesson, model M&P 9 Shield, 9mm semi-automatic pistol with serial number LDF0958, with on magazine;
- Seven rounds of 9mm ammunition manufactured by Federal; and
- Pistol holster manufactured by Blackhawk

THAT the United States Marshal's Service, the Drug Enforcement Administration, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives or a designated sub-custodian, is directed to seize the property subject to forfeiture and further to make a return as provided by law;

THAT the United States will provide written notice to all third parties asserting a legal interest in any of the above-described property and will post on an official government internet site ([www.forfeiture.gov](http://www.forfeiture.gov)) for at least 30 consecutive days as required by Rule G(4)(a)(iv)(C) of the Supplemental Rules for Admiralty or Maritime Claims and Asset Forfeiture Actions, of the Court's Preliminary Order and the United States' intent to dispose of the property in such manner as the Attorney General may direct, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 924 (incorporating the forfeiture provisions of Title 26 United States Code). and to make its return to this Court that such action has been completed;

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THAT upon adjudication of all third-party interests, if any, the Court will enter a Final Order of Forfeiture.

DATED this 2nd day of May, 2024.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Brian Morris".

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Brian Morris, Chief District Judge  
United States District Court